

WAC 110-302-0166 Emergency preparation and exiting. (1) To be properly prepared for an emergency, ONB programs must have an emergency preparedness plan pursuant to WAC 110-302-0470.

(2) One or more ONB providers must have the following in case of an emergency:

(a) A working flashlight or other emergency lighting device that is available for use as an emergency light source. Battery powered flashlights must have an extra set of batteries easily available; and

(b) A working telephone that is available for use and has sufficient backup power to function in an emergency.

(3) To ensure a safe exit from indoor premises during an emergency, ONB programs must comply with the following requirements:

(a) Except for ONB programs that enroll only school-age children and operate on public or private school premises, indoor locks for emergency exit doors must remain unlocked from the inside, but may be locked from the outside while the ONB program is open. The door handle must be of the type that can be opened from the inside without the use of a key, tools, or special knowledge, and must automatically unlock when the knob or handle is turned;

(b) Exit doors not designated as an emergency exit door may be locked during operating hours. Except for ONB programs that enroll only school-age children and operate on public or private school premises, locking interior doors in ONB program space must be designed to be unlocked from either side. An unlocking device must be readily available; and

(c) Exit doors must not be partially or entirely blocked.

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